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AUG 22 EDITION WEEKLY MAGAZINE "ZAIRE" CARRIED ARTICLE BY ZAIRIAN JOURNALIST ENTITLED "ZIMBABWE: BETWEEN THE GUN AND DIALOGUE." AFTER REVEIWIN FRONT LINE STATES' ACTIVITIES VIS-A-VIS RHODESIA, ARTICLE CONCLUDES WITH COMMENTARY ON WASHINGTON PEACE EFFORTS: "ON THE EVE OF THE AFRICAN TRIP OF DAVID OWEN AND ANDREW YOUNG, THE PROSPECTS FOR A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF THE RHODESIAN PROBLEM ARE NOT VERY ENCOURAGING. THIS IS EVEN MORE TRUE, SINCE THE URBAN GUERRILLAS HAVE BEGUN EXPANDING THEIR FIELD OF ACTIVITIES. LONG CONFINED TO THE COUNTRYSIDE, THE ANTI-COLONIAL STRUGGLE IS NOW BEING CARRIED INTO URBAN AREAS. THUS, ON THE 6TH OF AUGUST THIS YEAR, A TNT EXPLOSION IN A SALISBURY DEPARTMENT STORE KILLED 11 PEOPLE AND LEFT SOME 76 OTHERS INJURED. FOR THE PERPETRATORS OF THIS DEED (VIGOROUSLY CONDEMNED BY HIGHLY PLACED OFFICIAL OF THE AFRICAN NATIONAL COUNCIL), THE KEY TO THE RHODESIAN PROBLEM IS NEITHER IN LONDON NOR IN WASHINGTON. IT IS FROM THE BARREL OF A GUN." ITEM.
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